



2nd International Congress
Advances in the
Packaging Industry
Product and Process

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Fondazione Cariplo

**FIRST ANNOUNCEMENT AND
CALL FOR ABSTRACTS**



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» ABOUT GIFLEX

GIFLEX is the Association that brings together manufacturers of flexible packaging printed in gravure and flexography, for packaging of food, pharmaceuticals, chemicals and other industrial applications. The Group is integrated into the Confindustria system, through the Associazione Nazionale delle Industrie Grafiche, Cartotecnica e Trasformatrici (National Association of Printing and Paper Processing Industries) and, in Europe, is a member of FPE (Flexible Packaging Europe), Division of EAFA (European Aluminium Foil Association).

Ever since its establishment in 1985, the Group has provided a reference and support to its members, bringing a wide range of services, such as:

- Information on the technical, regulatory and marketing aspects related to flexible packaging
- The creation of technical, economic and statistical documents and studies
- The training of technical and sales staff



- Organizing events of a general nature, such as conferences and congresses, and workshops on specific topics.

Furthermore, through the activity of specialized working groups and coordinated by consultants, experts in the field, Giflex carries out a constant and continuous monitoring and updating of the legal aspects and the environmental issues affecting the production and the application fields of flexible packaging, providing insights and timely assistance to the entire membership base.

» AIM OF THE CONGRESS

After the large outcome of the previous edition held in Naples in 2015, this 2nd International Congress on the "Advances in the Packaging Industry" will take place on 26 and 27 October 2017 in Milan. The Congress represents a multidisciplinary forum for all interested in the advances in the field of flexible packaging.

Academic and industry experts will cover wide range of topics relevant to innovations and future challenges in packaging technology.

The two days Congress will be run on two main sessions related to Product and Process.

» TOPICS

The topics will include, among others:

- PACKAGING MATERIALS: ACTIVE AND PASSIVE BARRIER SOLUTIONS AND NEW FUNCTIONALITIES
- METAL AND METALLIZED PACKAGING
- FOOD PACKAGING SAFETY
- SAFETY AND SUSTAINABILITY OF PACKAGING MATERIALS
- LAMINATION, PRINTING AND SURFACE TREATMENT TECHNOLOGIES
- ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT OF PACKAGING PROCESSES: SUSTAINABILITY, LIFE CYCLE ANALYSIS, RECYCLING, INCINERATION, BIODEGRADABILITY, FOOD WASTES REDUCTION
- SAFE OPERATION OF PACKAGING PROCESSES
- ANALYSIS AND SIMULATION FOR PACKAGING PROCESSES
- EMERGING TECHNOLOGIES IN PACKAGING DESIGN
- RISK ASSESSMENT

The scientific program of the Congress will consist of invited lectures, communications on selected abstracts and poster sessions.





» CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

Researchers and experts from academia, industry and research institutions are invited to submit an extended abstracts (2 pages A 4 size) at the congress website: www.apicongress.it by May 15, 2017. All submitted abstracts will be evaluated by the Scientific Committee and a notification will be sent to the authors by July 15, 2017.

Authors can indicate a preference for one topic and for the type of presentation (oral or poster). However, the final decision will be made by the Scientific Committee upon final acceptance of the abstract.

Accepted abstracts will be published in a proceedings volume which will be distributed to all participants.

Authors of "the best abstracts" (as judged from the reviews of the Scientific Committee) will be invited for paper submission to a Special Issue of an International Journal. Publication at the journal will require a second round of review.

» OFFICIAL LANGUAGE

The official language of the Congress will be English. No simultaneous translation will be provided.

» VENUE

Fondazione Cariplo Conference Center • Via Romagnosi, 8 – Milan (Italy)

» REGISTRATION FEES (VAT 22% included)

	Before September 1, 2017	After September 1, 2017
Giflex Members/CNR Members/University Professors	€ 250,00	
Non Members Giflex	€ 300,00	€ 350,00
Students*	€ 140,00	
Social Dinner	€ 80,00	

* PhD Students, Trainees, Research Fellows, whoever has a not permanent position at a University. A certification should be sent together with the registration fee.

More detailed information will be provided in a second circular. In addition, updates will be regularly posted on the conference web site: www.apicongress.it

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